Gracious Saint Clare, who fulfilled your womanhood by a life of love in prayer and penance, help us to fulfill our destiny that we may one day greet you in Heaven. You who were consoled at your death by a vision of Christ and His Mother, obtain for us the grace that we may die under the special protection of God and enter into the life and bliss you now enjoy. Have pity on us who struggle, on us who mourn, and win for us the favors of God so that after this life we may come home to Him who lives and reigns forever and ever. (State your intention here...)

Amen.

NOVENA TO SAINT CLARE OF ASSISI

Recited from: August 3rd through August 11th (Latin Calendar)
August 4th through August 12th (Ordinary Time)



Feast Day: August 12th (Latin Calendar)
August 11th (Ordinary Time)

Novena

The word Novena derives it name from the Latin word "novem" meaning "nine." A novena can be either a private or public devotion in the Catholic Church to obtain special graces.

NOVENA TO SAINT CLARE OF ASSISI

Invocation (Recited daily)

O most Holy Trinity,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit,
we praise your Holy Name
and the wonders of grace
you worked in your servant, Saint Clare.
Through her powerful intercession
grant us the favors we beg in this novena,
above all the grace to live and die
as she did in your most Holy Love.

Amen.

First Day

O Seraphic Saint Clare,
first disciple of the Poor Man of Assisi,
who hast abandoned all riches and honors
for a life of sacrifice
and of highest poverty,
obtain from God for us the grace we ask
(State your intention here...),
that of always submitting to the Divine Will
and of living confidently
in the providence of our Heavenly Father.

Amen.

Closing Prayer

V. Pray for us, Saint Clare.

R. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Eighth Day

Invocation (From page 2 recited daily)

Valiant Saint Clare, who fearlessly stood alone against the barbarous Saracens, trusting in the Blessed Sacrament as your only protection, enkindle in us a tender love for Jesus Christ; help us to live Eucharistic lives. You who saved your city of Assisi from plunder and ruin, protect our city and archdiocese, plead for our beloved country and the suffering world. A voice from the Sacred Host rewarded your trust with a promise: "I will always take care of you." **Glorious Saint Clare,** from your high place in Heaven, take care of us now in our earthly needs and guide us by your light to Heaven. (State your intention here...)

Amen.

Ninth Day

Invocation (From page 2 recited daily)

You who loved souls so much as to make your life a continual sacrifice for them, obtain for us the graces we now implore and win for us the strength to praise God in suffering as well as in joy.

(State your intention here...)

Amen.

Seventh Day

Invocation (From page 2 recited daily)

Faithful Saint Clare, loyal daughter of the Church, friend and confidante of popes, intercede for the holy Church and look graciously from Heaven on our holy Father Pope N... Enlighten us to remove from our souls all that hinders the progress of the Church on earth. Grant that we may share your great love for the church of God and spread His kingdom on earth by a holy life. You, who worked miracles in the presence of the pope on earth, obtain for us the graces we need, now that you stand in the presence of the most high God in Heaven. (State your intention here...)

Amen.

Closing Prayer and Let us Pray (Recited daily)
(From pages 2-3)

Let us Pray:

We Pray You, Lord,
Grant us Your servants
who celebrate the festival of Blessed Clare your Virgin,
by her intercession,
to be partakers of the joys of heaven
and coheirs with Your only-begotten Son,
Who being God,
lives and reigns forever and ever.

Amen.

Second Day

Invocation (From page 2 recited daily)

O Seraphic Saint Clare who,
notwithstanding living separated from the world
hast not forgotten the poor and the afflicted,
but hast become a mother to them,
sacrificing for them your riches
and working for them innumerable miracles;
obtain from God for us the grace we implore
(State your intention here...),

Christian charity towards our brethren in all their spiritual and temporal needs.

Amen.

Closing Prayer and Let us Pray (Recited daily)
(From pages 2-3)

Third Day

Invocation (From page 2 recited daily)

O Seraphic Saint Clare,
light of your country,
who hast delivered Italy from barbarous invaders;
obtain from God for us the grace we implore
(State your intention here...),

that of overcoming all attacks of the world against faith and morals thus preserving in our families true Christian peace with a holy fear of God and a devotion to the Blessed Sacrament.

Amen.

Closing Prayer and Let us Pray (Recited daily)
(From pages 2-3)

Fourth Day

Invocation (From page 2 recited daily)

Blessed Saint Clare,
whose very name means light,
illumine the darkness of our minds and hearts
so that we might see
what God wishes us to do
and perform it
with a willing and joyful heart.
Before your birth,
a Heavenly voice foretold
that you would be a light illuminating the world.
Be a light to us in the sorrows
and anxieties of this earthly life,
and lead us into the eternal light
of our home in Heaven.
(State your intention here...)

Amen.

Closing Prayer and Let us Pray (Recited daily)
(From pages 2-3)

Fifth Day

Invocation (From page 2 recited daily)

O Seraphic Saint Clare,
whose virginal heart was great enough
to love the whole world,
take our petitions into your pure hands
and present them to God.
Pray for us that we may one day
enter joyously before the throne of God.
Let the light of your perfect purity
consume the shadows of sin
and corruption that darkens the world.
Intercede by your innocence for our youth.
Safeguard the peace of our homes
and the unity of our family.
Plead with your chaste love for all in peril.
(State your intention here...)

Amen.

Closing Prayer and Let us Pray (Recited daily) (From pages 2-3)

Sixth Day

Invocation (From page 2 recited daily)

Generous Saint Clare,
who left wealth and pleasure
and all earthly goods
to become the first spiritual daughter of Saint Francis
and to serve God in the cloister,
help us to commit our lives to God
without limit or measure
so that He may live in us
and shine forth from us
to all whose lives touch ours.